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do rise in opposition to the motion or the amendment to strike all of the contents of this bill and set it aside for a study. I agree with Senator Bromm that a lot of time has been spent on this bill and a lot of people have put in a lot of work and I can't understand...I'm not clear why the rural areas would be such big losers on this bill. And I guess I don't want to get on the debate on the floor with Senator Robak, but I would like to visit with her privately to find out where something I'm missing that is in this bill that would be so damaging to the rural parts of Nebraska. I supported this whole concept because it appeared to me it was going to bring fiber optics into some of the...some of the rural parts of Nebraska that may never happen otherwise. And I guess from a practical standpoint people in rural Nebraska sometimes feel a little left out when they're not able to get the same kind of high-speed Internet that they are in the metropolitan areas. And, for the benefit of Senator Bromm, I'm not "moneybags". Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. Senator Byars.

SENATOR BYARS: Senator Cudaback, I would respectfully call the question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do see five hands. Question before the body is, shall debate cease on AM0912 to committee amendments to LB 827? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay.

SENATOR ROBAK: Point of order.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: (Microphone malfunction) had enough...we didn't have enough time on this amendment compared to all those other amendments. I...I'm objecting this call the question. Is that possible?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Robak, we are voting right now. The question before the body is, call the...cease...shall debate cease on AM0912 to committee amendments? The question before the body is ceasing debate. Have you all voted who care to?